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DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION	RELATED NCCHC STANDARDS: P-A-01, P-E-01 (ESSENTIAL)	
CHAPTER: 11 HEALTH SERVICES	SUBJECT: FEE FOR SERVICE (CO-PAY) PROGRAM	
APPROVED BY THE COMMISSIONER:		
EFFECTIVE DATE: 11-19-07		

PURPOSE:

To define the inmate co-pay program that does not restrict inmate access to healthcare. Also refer to DOC policy 8.40.

POLICY:

1. Inmates receive written explanation of the co-pay program at time of admission into facility.
2. Services excluded from the co-pay program include:
 - admission health screening
 - health assessments required by policy
 - emergency care
 - infirmary care
 - ordered laboratory and diagnostic service
 - diagnostic and treatment of contagious/communicable diseases
 - any chronic care clinic, including any mental health service
 - ordered medications to maintain health
3. Health care staff does not collect fees.
4. Charges are not assessed when seen by one or more providers for the same problem three times in a seven day period.
5. Health care is not denied because of the inability to pay.
6. Charges for health care are \$4.00 for sick call and \$2.00 for prescription costs.
7. Inmates have access to the grievance process to lodge complaints regarding the co-pay program.
8. Grievance and other relevant data are reviewed to verify that the co-pay program does not impede access to care.

Reference:

National Commission on Correctional Health Care: Standards for Health Services in Prisons, 2003, P-A-01 and P-E-01